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In response to the Office Action dated November 16, 1994, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

REMARKS

In the Official Action, the Examiner has indicated that Claims 10, 11, 15-34, 42-46, and 48-50 are allowable over the prior art. Claims 2-4, 7, 13, 35-38, and 47 were rejected by the Examiner as being "provisionally" unpatentable under the doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claims in copending Application Serial No. 792,001. During a telephone conversation with the Examiner on November 22, 1994, it was agreed that since the "provisional" double patenting rejections were the only rejections remaining in this application, the Examiner should withdraw these rejections and permit the application to issue as a patent (MPEP §804). Applicants therefore believe that the

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